

A point of order was raised against the consideration of H. Res. 846 and it was agreed, by a yeand-nay vote of 214 yeas to 188 nays, Roll No. 1134, to proceed with consideration of the resolution.

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Suspension—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure which was debated on Tuesday, December 4th:

McGee Creek Project Pipeline and Associated Facilities Conveyance Act: H.R. 2085, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey to the McGee Creek Authority certain facilities of the McGee Creek Project, Oklahoma, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeand-nay vote of 373 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 1141.

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Meeting Hour: Agreed by unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 3 p.m. on Monday, December 10th, and further, when the House adjourns on that day, it adjourn to meet at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, December 11th for morning hour debate.

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Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with the Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, December 12th.

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United States-China Economic and Security Review Commission—Appointments: Read a letter from Representative Boehner, Minority Leader, in which he appointed the following individuals to the United States-China Economic and Security Review Commission: Mr. Peter T.R. Brookes of Virginia (re-appointment) and Mr. Daniel M. Slane of Ohio.

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Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on pages H14254 and H14456.

Senate Referrals: S. Con. Res. 58 was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Seven yeand-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H14258–59, H14259, H14268, H14268–69, H14269–70, H14444, and H14445. There was one quorum call, Roll No. 1139, which appears on page H14434.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Committee Meetings

FORECLOSURE PREVENTION LOAN MODIFICATIONS

Committee on Financial Services: Held a hearing entitled “Accelerating Loan Modifications, Improving Foreclosure Prevention and Enhancing Enforcement.”

Testimony was heard from Sheila C. Bair, Chairman, FDIC; Randall S. Kroszner, member, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System; the following officials of the Department of the Treasury: John C. Dugan, Comptroller of the Currency; and Scott M. Polakoff, Senior Deputy Director and Chief Operating Officer, Office of Thrift Supervision; Christiane Gigi Hyland, board member, National Credit Union Administration; Mark E. Pearce, Deputy Commissioner of Banks, North Carolina; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—USE OF ROBO-CALLS IN FEDERAL CAMPAIGNS

Committee on House Administration: Subcommittee on Elections held an oversight hearing on the Use of Robo-Calls in Federal Campaigns. Testimony was heard from Representatives Bean, Altmire and Foxx; Steve Carter, Attorney General, Indiana, and public witnesses.

SALES TAX FAIRNESS AND SIMPLIFICATION ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law held a hearing on H.R. 3396, Sales Tax Fairness and Simplification Act. Testimony was heard from Joan Wagnon, Secretary of Revenue, Kansas; and public witnesses.

INMATE REHABILITATION AND RELEASE PLANNING

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security held a hearing on Promoting Inmate Rehabilitation and Successful Release Planning. Testimony was heard from Drew Wrigley, U.S. Attorney, District of North Dakota, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

SENATE AMENDMENT TO TERRORISM RISK INSURANCE REVISION AND EXTENSION ACT OF 2007

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a voice vote, a rule which makes in order a motion by the Chairman of the Committee on Financial Services to concur in the Senate amendment with the House amendment printed in the Rules Committee report. The rule waives all points of order against the motion except clause 10 of rule XXI. The rule provides that the Senate amendment and the motion shall be considered as read. The rule provides 1 hour of debate on the motion equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Financial Services. The rule further provides that the Chair may postpone further consideration of the motion to a time designated by the Speaker. Testimony was heard from Chairman Frank

of Massachusetts, and Representatives Wasserman Schultz, and Neugebauer.

SAME-DAY CONSIDERATION OF CERTAIN RESOLUTIONS REPORTED FROM RULES COMMITTEE

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a vote of 8 to 3, a rule waiving clause 6(a) of rule XIII (requiring a two-thirds vote to consider a rule on the same day it is reported from the Rules Committee) against certain resolutions reported from the Rules Committee. The rule applies the waiver to any resolutions reported on the legislative day of December 11, 2007, providing for consideration of the Senate amendment to H.R. 2764, the Department of State, Foreign Operations and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2008. The rule also permits the Chairman of the Committee on Appropriations to insert in the Congressional Record during the remainder of the first session of the 110th Congress such material as he may deem explanatory of appropriations measures for the fiscal year 2008. Finally, the rule lays House Resolution 839 on the table.

REVIEW REGULATORY FLEXIBILITY ACT

Committee on Small Business: Held a hearing to review legislation to improve the Regulatory Flexibility Act. Testimony was heard from Thomas M. Sullivan, Chief Counsel, Office of Advocacy, SBA; and public witnesses.

DNI'S 500-DAY PLAN

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Subcommittee on Intelligence Community Management

held a hearing on DNI's 500-Day Plan. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Office of the Director of National Intelligence: Donald Kerr, Principal Deputy, and David Shedd, Deputy Director, Policy, Plans and Requirements; and public witnesses.

BRIEFING—COLOMBIA

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Subcommittee on Terrorism, Human Intelligence, Analysis and Counterintelligence met in executive session to receive a briefing on Colombia. The Subcommittee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

Joint Meetings

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Conferees agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate and House passed versions of H.R. 1585, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2008 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 2008.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2007

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

No committee meetings are scheduled.